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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: KOREAN TELEPHONE RECORDS

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1. MOFA AMERICAN AFFAIRS BUREAU DIRECTOR PAK SANG YONG CALLED POLCOUNS AFTERNOON AUGUST 23 TO COMPLAIN ABOUT REPORTED SUBPOENA OF TELEPHONE RECORDS OF KOREAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON. HE HAD RECEIVED A CABLE FROM WASHINGTON STATING SECURITY AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION HAD ISSUED A SUBPOENA TO THE C&P TELEPHONE CO FOR ALL KOREAN EMBASSY TELEPHONE RECORDS FROM 1973 TO PRESENT. HE FURTHER NOTED THAT SUBPOENA HAD A COMPLIANCE DATE OF AUGUST 26 FOR PROVIDING RECORDS.

2. PAK WISHED TO EXPRESS GREAT CONCERN OF ROKG OVER WHAT APPEARS IN ITS VIEW AN ABRIDGEMENT OF DIPLOMATIC PRIVILEGE AND A CONTRAVENTION OF THE GENEVA CONVENTION. HE MADE REFERENCE TO THE AIDE MEMOIRE REPORTED REFTEL AND SAID THE SAME CONSIDERATION WOULD APPLY TO TELEPHONE RECORDS. IN CONCLUSION, HE NOTED THAT THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTION PROVIDED FOR FREEDOM OF COMMUNICATION (SIC).

3. POLCOUNS INFORMED PAK HE HAD HAD NO WORD OF THIS
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ACTION BUT OFFERED OPINION THAT RECORDS IN QUESTION WERE PROPERTY OF A US CORPORATION AND THUS FELL IN THE SAME CATEGORY AS BANK RECORDS. HE UNDERTOOK TO REPORT CONCERNS OF ROKG ON THIS MATTER TO WASHINGTON, INCLUDING ROKG REQUESTS THAT SUBPOENA BE WITHDRAWN.
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